

ILLINOIS WEATHER & CROPS



**ILLINOIS
AGRICULTURAL
STATISTICS SERVICE**

P.O. Box 19283, Springfield, IL 62794-9283

Phone: (217)492-4295

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

<http://www.agstats.state.il.us>

RELEASED: November 3, 2003 3 P.M., CT

VOL. 24, NO. 36

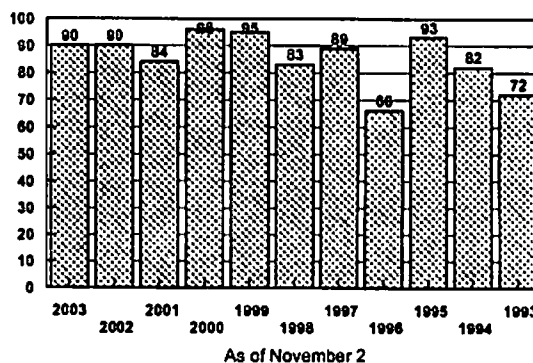
Agricultural Summary

Bare fields mark the landscape across the state as harvest nears completion. Farmers who had completed harvest were busy with fall tillage, applying fertilizers and making improvements to field drainage systems. Rains that halted fieldwork at the end of the week helped pastures recover. There were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Corn harvested is at 90 percent compared to 90 percent last year and 90 percent for the five-year average. Soybeans harvested are at 95 percent compared to 95 percent last year and 95 percent average. Topsoil moisture ratings are now reported as two percent very short, 23 percent short, 70 percent adequate and five percent surplus. Other farm activities last week included hauling grain, seeding winter wheat and drying grain.

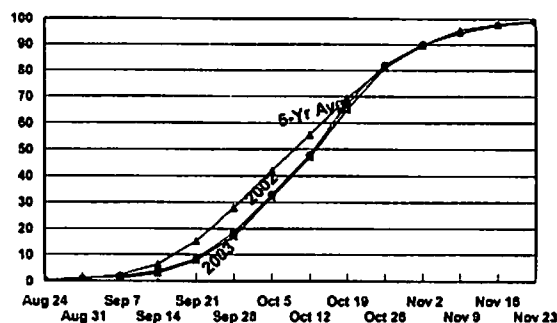
Crop Progress

Crop Stage	: 2003	: 2002	: 5-Year Average
November 2			
CORN:			
Harvested	90	90	90
SOYBEANS:			
Harvested	95	95	95
SORGHUM:			
Harvested	71	94	92
WINTER WHEAT:			
Seeded	94	97	94
Emerged	64	83	74

Corn - Percent Harvested
Illinois



Corn - Percent Harvested
Illinois



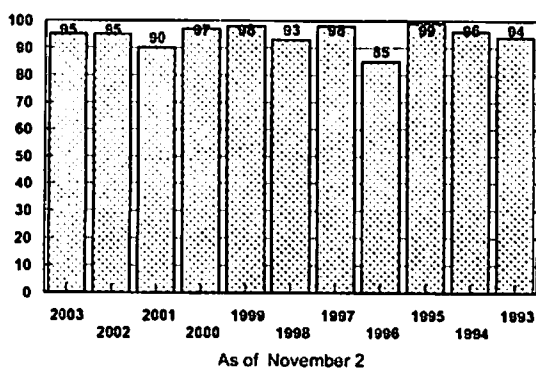
Crop Conditions

Crop	: Very Poor	: Poor	: Fair	: Good	: Excellent
November 2					
Winter Wheat	-	1	25	64	10

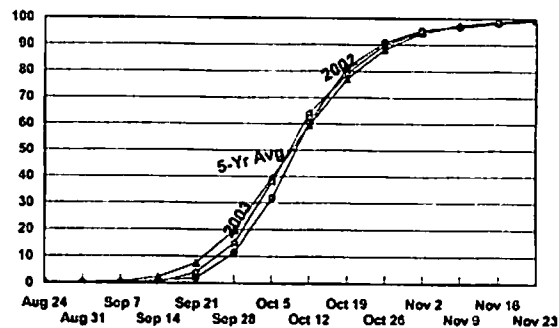
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	: Days Suitable for Fieldwork	: Very Short	: Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
October 27 - November 2					
Northwest	5.3	5	29	56	10
Northeast	5.5	1	13	85	1
West	5.6	3	35	61	1
Central	5.3	2	30	67	1
East	5.1	-	12	75	13
W Southwest	5.6	1	21	76	2
E Southeast	6.3	-	17	79	4
Southwest	5.7	-	35	65	-
Southeast	6.0	5	17	76	2
State	5.5	2	23	70	5

Soybeans - Percent Harvested
Illinois



Soybeans - Percent Harvested
Illinois



Crop Progress by Districts

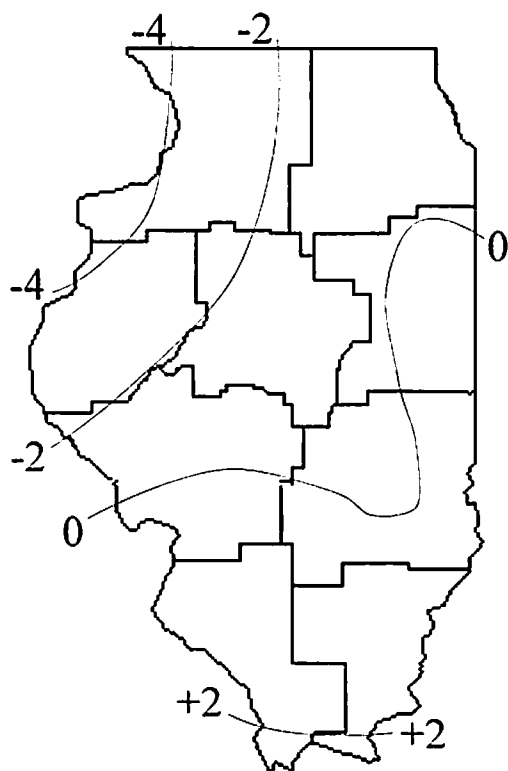
District	: Corn Harvested	: Soybeans Harvested
November 2		
Northwest	87	99
Northeast	77	99
West	94	98
Central	99	99
East	98	99
W Southwest	90	96
E Southeast	89	93
Southwest	80	81
Southeast	91	78
State	90	95

Weather Information Table

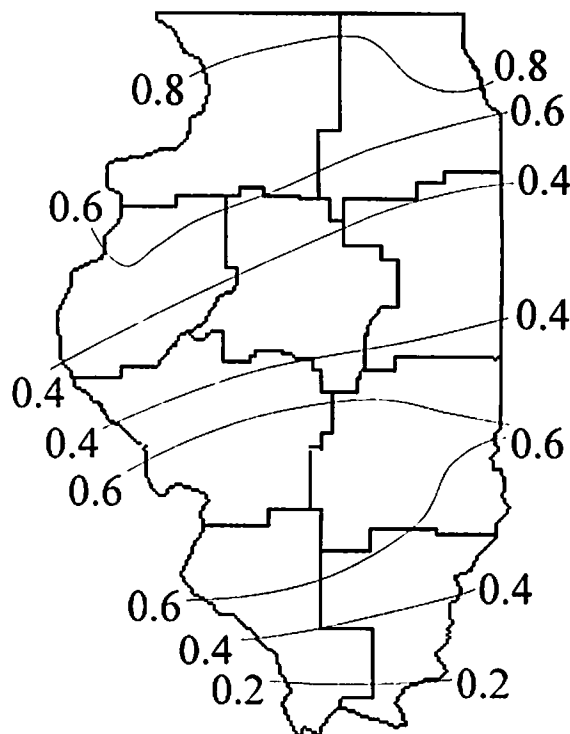
District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
October 27 - November 2						
Northwest	45.5	48.1	-2.6	0.72	0.85	-0.13
Northeast	47.9	48.9	-1.0	0.75	0.77	-0.03
West	48.2	51.1	-2.9	0.50	0.89	-0.39
Central	49.7	50.8	-1.1	0.39	0.80	-0.40
East	50.6	50.5	0.1	0.25	0.73	-0.47
W Southwest	52.2	52.7	-0.4	0.49	0.78	-0.29
E Southeast	53.3	53.2	0.1	0.62	0.73	-0.11
Southwest	56.1	54.5	1.6	0.53	0.78	-0.24
Southeast	56.4	54.8	1.6	0.38	0.72	-0.35
State	50.9	51.5	-0.6	0.53	0.78	-0.26

Weather data provided by Illinois State Water Survey, Department of Natural Resources, 2204 Griffith Drive, Champaign, Il. 61820, (217)244-8226.

Maps provided by the Illinois State Water Survey
Visit their home page at <http://mcc.sws.uiuc.edu>
(217)244-8226



Temperature (°F) Departure
October 27 - November 2



Precipitation (in.) Total
October 27 - November 2

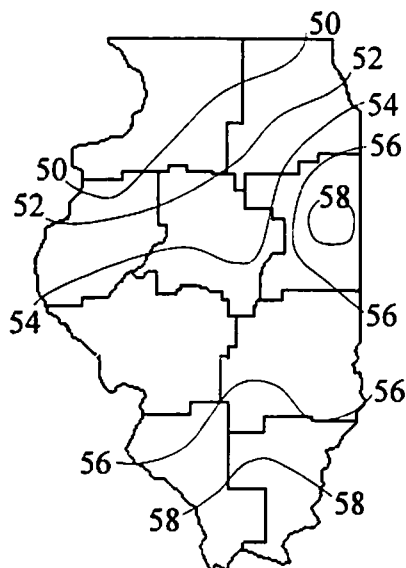
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
P.O. BOX 19283
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62794-9283

PERIODICAL POSTAGE PAID
AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

NEWSPAPER TIME VALUE

Illinois Weather & Crops
November 3, 2003

Illinois Weather & Crops (ISSN 0273-8635) is published weekly April-October, semimonthly in January, monthly in December, February and March and three issues in November, by the Illinois Dept. of Agriculture, Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service, Room 54, Department of Agriculture Bldg., 801 Sangamon Ave., Springfield, IL 62702. For information on subscribing, send request to the above address. Periodical postage paid at Springfield, Illinois. Postmaster: Send Address Change to Illinois Weather & Crops, P.O. Box 19283, Springfield, IL 62794-9283.



4-inch Soil Temperature (°F)
November 2

Crop PROGRESS INFORMATION in this report is provided voluntarily by local area officials of Farm Service Agency, Extension Service, National Resources Conservation Service, Farm Business Farm Management field staff, and agribusiness managers.

"Printed by authority of the State of Illinois" 11/3/03, 1,450, 1444

